



SHIRT BRIGADE . . . Women of the Moose have been busy during the past weeks making shirts for boys at Moose Heart. Shown here with some of the shirts, are Martha Evans, Chairman Dolores Olson, Alice Swanson, and Patricia Eshom.

The Social World

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Messiah White Shrine Holds Annual Officer Installation

In ceremonies Monday evening which marked the 30th annual installation of officers for Messiah White Shrine No. 19, Mrs. Neal Backer of this city, escorted to the East by Torrance's Dr. Kurt T. Shery, was installed as Worthy High Priestess. Joe G. Arnold of 1551 20th avenue, served as master of ceremonies for the service held in Redondo Beach Masonic Temple.



MRS. NEAL BACKER

Opening the program was a piano prelude by Mrs. Lois Lougee, followed by a vocal selection by Whinfred Guay Ruppel, whose accompanist was Mrs. Jessie J. Wood, all of Torrance.

With Mrs. Backer, the following officers were inducted by Installing Officer Mrs. Estelle Bridge: Percy Hodgson, watchman of shepherds, Mrs. Myrtle Keith, noble prophetess, George Engle, associate watchman of shepherds; Mrs. Cleo Fate, worthy scribe; Mrs. Adelaide Hamill, worthy treasurer; Mrs. Alice Miller, worthy chaplain; Mrs. Helen Rosey, worthy shop herdess; Mrs. Julia Bennett, worthy guide; Mrs. Margie Hodgson, worthy herald.

Pair Honored At Meeting of Torrance OES

Joan Simpson, worthy matron, and Thomas Foster, worthy patron, with their 1953 corps of officers were honored at the held Thursday evening in Masonic Temple. Gifts from their officers and associates were acknowledged later in the evening by acting matron and patron.

The meeting was opened by Acting Worthy Patron Thomas Foster, and following the entrance of 1953 officers, Acting Worthy Matron Joan Simpson gave this year's worthy matron, Florence Viellenave, special escort.

Edna Babcock, who served as deputy grand matron in 1953, was escorted to the East and presented, as were 1953 worthy matrons and patrons from nearby community chapters.

Co-chairmen for the evening were Worthy Matron Viellenave and Past Matron Alethea Smith, who arranged a distinctive program for the special night.

"Easter Parade" was the theme for the evening, with first models presenting beautiful forms and accessories, and (in keeping with April Fool's Day) later arrivals on the scene were literally "dressed to kill."

Lioness Club Cotton, Jean Social Set

When members of the Lioness Club met Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. A. F. R. Ewalt, 1622 W. 215th St., the group made final plans for a Cotton and Jeans Box Social, slated for 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 24 in Moose Hall.

All Lions and their wives are invited, according to the president, Mrs. Roy Peterson.

Miss Frances Dimitri will entertain the club on May 4 at her home, 2276 Torrance Blvd.

Kindergarten Deadline Told

Parents of kindergarten-aged children are asked to note that April 20 will be the last opportunity for registration for next September's attendance.

Interested persons may procure enrollment blanks at the school nearest their home and they will receive appointment hours. Each child will have an opportunity for a health examination by the school doctor.

In order to be eligible for next fall's classes, the child must be five years of age by Dec. 1, 1954. This means he will be at least four years, nine months by Sept. 1, 1954.

All ages must be verified by a birth certificate.

Carnival Fare Set for PTA May Day Fete

Typical carnival fare will be the order of the day for the May Day Carnival planned Wednesday evening at the Crenshaw PTA meeting.

Movies and games featuring a Cake Walk and Fish Pond, will be offered as entertainment "fare" and in the Rummage Room one may expect to find anything from "lamps to old shoes," it was announced.

Committee members are asking for white elephant items, handiwork, and baked goods for the event. Anyone who can help is asked to contact Mrs. Lois Huback, ME 9-2344, chairman.

Wednesday's meeting was marked by entertainment provided by Mrs. Wallace's second and third graders. "The High School Story," a colored slide feature, was presented by Bruce Magner, Torrance High School principal. The principal later discussed services and opportunities offered teenagers.

The rapid growth picture took new meaning to many, when they learned from the educator of plans to place the high school on a staggered session basis next year. This year's enrollment will be increased to 2300 in the fall.

Be stated to accommodate 800 students. Construction of a high school in North Torrance seemed to be the answer, the audience was advised.

At the social hour following, room mothers from Mr. Blake's and Mrs. Buehler's rooms were hostesses.

Alter Society Card Party Date Set April 29

Thursday evening, April 29, has been set as the date for the Nativity Altar Society-sponsored card party in Parish hall, Cota, at Manuel Ave.

Mrs. Regina Cunningham and Mrs. Ellis Cook will serve as co-chairmen for the fund-raising event.

Customary games and prizes and delicious refreshments have been promised by the chairmen.

Another way and means project is the semi-annual all-day rummage sale calendared for Friday and Saturday, May 21-22. Mrs. Corwin (Celina) Dean will chair this event, according to the president, Mrs. Ella Gitcheer.

"Making the Most of Being a Parent" will be the topic for tomorrow's meeting of the Y-Wives Club. Speaker will be Mrs. Dorothy Law, family guidance counselor and lecturer.

Women of the community are invited, and a special invitation is extended to new residents. Meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. in the clubhouse, 2320 Carson St. Child care is available during the meetings devoted to athletic activities or craft work. The second hour is often devoted to a speaker, according to Mrs. Rufus Sandstrom, publicity chairman. Dues are 50 cents a week for child care and instruction, she pointed out.

Creative Family Living



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PATTERNS OF GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

(First in a series of five columns designed to bring a greater understanding of the stages of child growth).
Understanding the general outline of the child's growth and development through the years will be our topic for the next few weeks. It has been well established that the course from babyhood to adulthood does have an overall pattern to it.

NATURE PROVIDES THE PATTERN

Nature provides in the development of the child periods of expansion and outgoingness as well as for periods of absorption and assimilation . . . the curves produced by these periods, as would be shown on a chart or graph, indicate there is a rhythm to growth. We know also that maturity is only reached through a process of gradual learning and integration, we call this process maturation. Each and every child must go through the stages of this process in order to reach overall maturity. We know too, when there is shock or interference with this process in some fashion this can cause emotional damage and create what is called an emotional block. Even though the physical process of maturation proceeds along its natural course, the emotional maturation becomes disturbed in one way or another and causes emotional immaturity in some areas of the child's life picture.

GROWTH IS DYNAMIC

We have four areas in which growth and maturation must unfold itself throughout a lifetime . . . the physical, mental and spiritual. The dynamics of growth and maturation is evident in all phases of the child's development . . . learning to play with other children . . . attitudes toward his personal belongings . . . learning to feed himself . . . his beliefs about the world in which he lives . . . preparing for puberty . . . are only a few. The highly organized ten year old for instance is a result of this process to that point, and compared with the adolescent appears to have much lacking. Each phase the child passes through has fairly well defined outlines and the parent who familiarizes himself with this overall pattern is going to approach problems in growing up with far more of a feeling of adequacy than the one who is ignorant of the plan of growth.

UNDERSTANDING IMPORTANT

Understanding upon the part of the parent is most if he is going to meet the needs of his child through the years. For example, the goals of the first five years of life are vastly different from those of succeeding periods. Each period has its keynote in differ in many respects . . . Over the next few weeks we will cover the general outline of the first five years of life, the child in the years from five to ten, the pre-adolescent and the adolescent and young adult.

Mrs. Law may be heard Wednesday at 7:30 on "Next Question" show over KXLA (1110 on the dial).

Treasure Chest' High Point of WSCS Session

Collection of the "treasure chest" was a highlight of the morning session of Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church held Thursday morning. Each circle chairman presented her group's gift to be used for Christian service in 28 countries, according to the president, Mrs. J. S. McMullen, who conducted morning and afternoon sessions.

Vocal selections by a group of Torrance High School students was a program feature and devotions were led by Mrs. Evelyn Howland.

"Let us build boys, rather than men," was the thought expressed by Lou J. Chamlee, guest speaker, who serves as chaplain of California Institution for Men, at Chino. Chamlee told of important phases of work being done at Chino and other state institutions for men and women. His 22.

The bride-to-be was graduated from Narbonne High and is employed at Northrup Aviation Corp. Her fiancé, employed with Harvey Machine Co., attends her home at 23002 Walnut St. Harbor Junior College. They will live in Lomita.

Mrs. Mary Circle will meet the same evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Art Sielaff, 2524 Maricopa. Her co-hostess will be Mrs. Wayne Kobes.

Yvonne Bowerman Sets Wedding Date April 22
Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Samuelson, of 2100 W. 238th St., have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Yvonne Bowerman, to Edward Norman Reilly, a son of the William Reillys of Harbor Hills, Lomita.

Public Schools Week Observance Set for Next School PTA Meet

Due to Easter vacation, next meeting of 250th Pl. PTA has been postponed until April 22, at 7:30 p.m.

A large number of fathers are expected to attend on this occasion, the observance of Public Schools Week. The program will feature slides on the fundamentals of reading, to be narrated by Miss Frances Dastarac.

Also programmed is a spelling bee between upper grade students and parents to be chosen from the audience. The room gaining the largest attendance of fathers will be awarded a special prize.

April 20 has been set as the date for the teachers' luncheon to be prepared and served by board members. On May 27 a pot luck lunch for room mothers and teachers also will be served at the school.

On Tuesday, May 11, a paper and rag drive will occupy students during the morning hours. Each one who brings in a minimum of a 12-inch stack of papers will receive a ticket to a moon movie, and other prizes will be given to those securing the largest bundles of papers and rags. Proceeds will be divided between Student Body fund and PTA treasuries.

A contest is under way to arrive at a suitable name for the monthly newsette, which has been necessitated by the recent change of the school name.

Miss Dastarac has announced the date of the annual open house for 7 to 8:30 p.m. on April 29. Civic minded persons are urged to attend so they may acquaint themselves with modern methods of teaching.

Mothers' Club Officers Told

First meeting of the Mothers Club of Cub Pack 953-C, held recently in the W. 179th St. home of Mrs. John Bush, was marked by election of officers.

Named to serve as members of the first executive board were Mrs. D. J. Mangiagli, president; Mrs. K. L. Smuland, vice-president; Mrs. A. R. McCall, secretary; Mrs. L. D. Green, treasurer; Mrs. Ernest Shockley and Mrs. D. Watkins, ways and means women; and Mrs. T. R. Jackson, publicity chairman.

Next meeting has been calendared for April 21, at the home of Mrs. Mangiagli, 17002 Cordary St. Subsequent meetings will be held on second Wednesdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee McCoy Become Grandparents

Arrival of Robert Chamblin Steele III at a Norfolk, Va. hospital Friday made Mr. and Mrs. Lee A. McCoy of 2712 Torrance Blvd. grandparents.

The baby is the first child for Robert C. Steele Jr., USMC, and Mrs. Steele (Sally McCoy) who are making their temporary home at Norfolk, near his base. Mrs. Steele attended Torrance High School while she lived here. She was graduated last year as a registered nurse from a Washington, D. C. hospital.

Shower Honors Mrs. Garber

Mrs. George Garber, (Miss Laura Conroy) was honored at a combined bridal shower and birthday party given recently in the Meyler St. home of Mrs. Francis Johnson, whose co-hostess was Mrs. Mary McCarty.

Mrs. Garber, who celebrated her 21st birthday on this occasion, recently exchanged wedding vows with George Garber, USN. The bridegroom is serving aboard the USS Guadalupe, in Korean waters.

Games with prizes and refreshments concluded the evening. Bidden were the honor guest and her mother, Mrs. Marie Conroy; and Mesdames Alice Ott, Mary McCarty, Dixie Sanborn, Melvena Holstrom, Effie Attridge, Irene Shadowens, Bonnie Gardiner, Bonnie Harrington, Bertha Mae Davis, Alma Styron, Barbara Robinson, Jay Stuck, and the Misses Judy Upton, Dorothy Attridge, Barbara Primrose, Jo Ann Fritz, and Mary Jane Hazelette.

Officers chosen for the ensuing term include: Winona Jackson, president; Bertha Gauthier, vice-president; Bonnie Allen, recording secretary; Blanche Skaggs, invitation chairman; Sara Ward, sergeant at arms; Irene Roberts, publicity chairman; Enid Runsted, finance commissioner; and M. P. Pirim, educational chairman.

The organization was officially chartered on April 5, according to the publicity chairman, a resident of 18014 Faysmith Ave.

Purpose of the organization is to help teenagers in Torrance and it is hoped that a Junonette Chapter will be started to accommodate girls from 15 to 18 years of age. At this time only three Junonette chapters have been instituted in the United States.

Northern Visit Ends

Mrs. C. E. Reofnsider of 1034 Ocean, has returned from a week's visit in San Francisco where she attended the premiere of Beatrice Lillie's show as guest of Lt. and Mrs. H. C. Boles and C. E. Reofnsider Sr.

She also visited in San Leandro and Oakland, stopping en route with friends in her former home, Bakersfield, where she served as records librarian in Kern General Hospital for several years.

Final arrangements were made for the Riverside conference slated for April 23-25. President Winona Ellis will serve as delegate, and regional delegates will be Dr. Virginia Tyler and Edith Ennis.

Instead of their March social meeting, the members were co-hostesses with Inglewood Club at a knitted dress style show in Inglewood. All types, colors, and sizes of knitted dresses were modeled by members before a capacity audience.

language when she arrived here five years ago, gave interesting facts of wartime prices, rates of exchange, and other incidental information.

Mrs. Reofnsider Hosts
Mrs. C. E. Reofnsider of 1034 W. Ocean Ave. was hostess last week at a farewell luncheon honoring Mrs. Mary Doyle who has left for the Bay area to accept a position as medical records clerk in a community hospital.

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